

Material Declaration (PPWR)

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1. Scope of the Declaration

This declaration defines the scope, purpose and legal basis for providing material-related information in accordance with Article 16 PPWR.

2. Manufacturer / Production Site

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3. Identity of Material and Article

Trade name	Koehler Eco / Creative Board, Creative Print, Colorline IQ, Brillant Board, Classic Board, Economy Board, Unit Board, Natron Board, Fluting
Product description	Paper
Grammage	70 – 430 gsm
Intended use	rigid packaging and folding boxes for non food, carrier bags and other non-food packaging applications

4. Compliance with Article 16 PPWR – Supplier Information Obligations

In accordance with Article 16 PPWR, all information required for customers to verify compliance with the Regulation is provided. This includes disclosure of the material composition, fibre characteristics and substances relevant for PPWR assessment. These details form the basis for the conformity assessment required under PPWR (Regulation (EU) 2025/40) and fulfil the legally mandated supplier information obligations for upstream economic operators.

5. Material Disclosure

5.1 Composition

Component	Material Type	Grammage [gsm]	Share (%)
Main material	Paper / Cardboard	70 – 430 gsm	100

5.2 Primary fibre information

- Fibre source: Post-consumer recycled fibre

6. Article-Specific PPWR Compliance Statements

Article 5 – Requirements for Substances in Packaging

This paper grade complies with Article 5 PPWR regarding substances in packaging:

- No substances meeting the criteria for SVHCs (Substances of Very High Concern) are intentionally added at concentrations $\geq 0.1\%$ (w/w).
- The paper grade meets the heavy-metal limit (sum of Pb, Cd, Hg, Cr VI ≤ 100 mg/kg).
- No PFAS (Per and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) are intentionally added to this paper grade. As this product is not intended for use in food packaging, PFAS-specific threshold limits under Article 5 PPWR referring to food contact materials are not applicable, based on the regulatory framework currently in force.
- The presence and concentration of substances of concern mentioned above are minimised.

These measures are implemented in accordance with the substance minimisation principle defined in Article 5 PPWR, ensuring that no substances interfere with material recyclability or environmental safety.

Article 6 – Recyclable Packaging

The paper grade is designed to be compatible with material recycling in accordance with Article 6 PPWR:

- The fibre-based substrate is compatible with established paper recycling systems.
- It can be separately collected, sorted and recycled without impairing other waste streams.
- The final recyclability classification will be provided once the CEN harmonised recyclability standards referenced in Article 6 are officially published.

Based on the assessments listed below, the paper grade shows no adverse effects on existing paper recycling streams, such as excessive reject levels or incompatibility with standard pulping and screening processes.

Recyclability Assessment (Recognised Evaluation Methods)

The paper has been assessed using recognised European and national methodologies.

Please note, only the paper itself was assessed; any future conversion steps (e.g. printing, adhesives, etc.) must be evaluated separately by the end customer.

KIDV Recycle Check 2026 (Netherlands):

Recycle Check Paper and Cardboard Packaging - Version 2026

Assesses recyclability within the Dutch paper recycling infrastructure.

Result: optimal recyclability.

Comments: Please verify the relevant requirements concerning packaging dimensions and product specifications.

UK RAM – Recyclability Assessment Methodology (United Kingdom):

Recyclability Assessment Methodology - Paper and Board - Version April 2025

Assesses recyclability within UK collection, sorting and reprocessing systems.

Result: widely recyclable at scale

Comments: Please verify the relevant requirements concerning packaging dimensions and product specifications.

Disclaimer

The end user is responsible for assessing the suitability of the final packaging article for its intended application.

This declaration is based on:

- information from raw-material suppliers
- testing by accredited laboratories
- internal risk assessments

This declaration reflects the current state of knowledge at the date of issue and is valid for 12 months or until relevant product changes occur.

It is intended exclusively for our direct customers.

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